State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, diabetes affects 30.3 million people of all ages, or 9.4 percent of the

population in the United States, and is a serious disease with no known cure and a leading cause of death in the United States; and

WHEREAS, approximately 84 million, or one in three adults in the United

States, has pre-diabetes, a condition which puts them at greater risk for developing Type 2 diabetes, and if the current trend continues, one in three adults in the United States will have diabetes by 2050;

and

WHEREAS, 1.25 million Americans are living with Type 1 diabetes including

about 200,000 individuals less than 20 years old, and over a million individuals 20 years or older, with 40,000 people diagnosed each

year in the United States; and

WHEREAS, approximately 58,000 people in Vermont currently have a form of

diabetes, with approximately 2,000 more Vermonters diagnosed

with diabetes each year; and

WHEREAS, diabetes affects everyone, young and old alike, across all races, with

minority populations in the United States having an increased risk

of the disease; and

WHEREAS, an increase in community awareness of risk factors and symptoms

related to diabetes can improve the likelihood that people with diabetes will get the attention they need before suffering the

devastating complications of the disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim November 2018 as

DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 21st day of November, A.D. 2018

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Philip B. Scott

Governor

Brittney L. Wilson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs